



**BOILING
DOWN
THE STOCK
TO MAKE
ROOM FOR
NEW
GOODS.**

Early Buyers . . .

will get the best there is in
boil and those who know an-
thing about our

**Clearance Sale of
Dry Goods**

know very well that this is
well worth coming after.

Prices have been boiled
harder than the stock and the
few cents remaining on each
article is not big enough to be
considered a price at all.

Our fall goods will begin to
arrive in about two weeks and
we must have room as well as
money and all summer goods
now on hand must go. Only
a few more left.

**ONLY A FEW
MORE DAYS
TO BUY THEM**

COME EARLY.

THE EARNEST DRY GOODS COMPANY.

La Villa Grocery,

FREEMAN & MORTON, - - - Proprietors.

Staple and Fancy Groceries,

Stove Wood in large quantities. Orders delivered
promptly anywhere in Punta Gorda. Telephone No. 53

**New Grocery!
New Goods!**

FRESH AND RELIABLE STOCK OF

STAPLE AND FANCY GROCERIES.

At the Lowest Laying Prices

Prompt delivery free to any part of the city. A share of your patronage
is solicited.

N. N. WAKEFIELD.

Corner Marian Avenue and King Street.

BIG SUPPLY OF HAY AND GRAIN at LOWEST MARKET PRICES.
Orders filled promptly. Telephone No. 39

How Nice a Man Looks . . .

Agent for
**THE
ROYAL
TAILORS.**
Suits Made to Order
and a fit guar-
anteed.

If he is well dressed, and clothing is now so
cheap, there is no excuse for not dressing
well. Go to R. C. BLOUNT's and let him
fit you up. He has just received

An Elegant Line of Shirts, Pants and Fall Hats
of the Newest Styles; also a Large Stock of

Serviceable & Fine Shoes, Woolen Underwear Etc.

R. C. BLOUNT,

Next door to the Postoffice. Punta Gorda, Fla.

-A. ROE-

Wholesale and Retail Dealer in—

**HAY, GRAIN, FEED,
Lime and Cement.**

Sole agent for Armour's celebrated complete fertil-
izers and chemicals and the celebrated Magic Food
for poultry and stock.

Agent for No. 1 Cypress Tanks with patent lugs, put up
by D. A. Holcomb of this city. Call and get m prices
and patronize home industry.

**GOOD NEWS FOR RETAIL
BUYERS!**

Besides the Usually Complete Stock of the Cheapest

**STAPLE
AND FANCY GROCERIES**

IN TOWN, I HAVE ADDED A SELECT LINE OF

**MEN'S PANTS AND UNDERWEAR,
Ladies and Children's Shirt Waists.**

Big Variety of 5c. and 10c. Goods; also, a large stock of
Tinware, Tableware and Crockery.

CALL AND SEE GOODS AND GET PRICES—

WELCH BLOCK THOS. O'R. JAMESON, PUNTA GORDA

**FIRE, HEALTH AND ACCIDENT
INSURANCE!**

JOHN H. FARRINGTON - Agent.

Aetna Insurance Company of Hartford,
Conn.
Continental Fire Insurance Company of
New York
Pacific Fire Insurance Company of New
York
The Fidelity and Casualty Company of
New York

Do you know what **HEALTH INSUR-
ANCE** is? It may be worth \$3 per
week to you to call this agency and
be informed.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

PERSONAL POINTERS PITHILY PRINTED.

Various Items Garnered From This and
Other Fields—What Our People
Are Doing.

Abundant rains fall here almost
daily.

Mr. B. B. Miller of Englewood was
in town Tuesday.

You cannot lawfully shoot quail in
Florida until Nov. 1st.

Money to loan. K. B. Harvey, agt.

Judge A. C. Lawton of Arcadia was
a visitor here on Tuesday.

Mrs. F. W. Burton of Englewood
visited Punta Gorda Tuesday.

Go to Swift's Tin Shop for galva-
nized iron stove pipe.—32

Mr. C. W. Deen, of Baxley, Ga.,
was registered at the Dade last Sat-
urday.

Born, on Sunday morning, 14th
inst., to Mr. and Mrs. A. Sherman, a
daughter.

For stove pipe and fittings of all
kinds call at Swift's Tin Shop.—32

Col. Pepper will occupy the pulpit
of the Presbyterian church on Sun-
day morning.

Miss Sudie Kilgore was received
as a member of the Presbyterian
church on Sunday morning.

Row Boat (dinky) for sale; 12 feet
long; with oars and locks, \$6.50.—E.
Keen, at blacksmith shop.—It.

Have you tried "Palmatina," the
new shortening compound? It is ex-
cellent. E. O. Coram keeps it.—It

FOUND—Sunday, lady's fine kid
glove. Owner can get it at HERALD
office by paying for this notice. It.

Mr. J. M. Weeks left Saturday to
pay a three-weeks visit to his
mother, who resides in Wytheville,
Va.

It is reported that some people are
violating the game law by shooting
ducks. No game is in season before
Oct. 1st.

PINEAPPLE PLANTS for sale—
large, healthy Smooth Cayennes,
for sale by N. N. Wakefield.—30ff

Rev. N. E. Norwood, an able Bap-
tist minister of Plant City, arrived
this week on a visit to his sister, Mrs.
T. J. Wellons.

Miss Lula McGuire arrived from
Indiana last week and will spend the
winter with her sister, Mrs. E. Wyatt,
on Cross street.

Eggs in this market this week are
35c. and 40c. a dozen. Provident
housewives are now supplied with
pin money of their own.

The Punta Gorda Cornet Band is
ready for engagements. As many as
twenty performers may be had on
short notice. Address, M. V. Wil-
liams, Sec.—38ff.

Congressman Sparkman will speak
in Punta Gorda Oct. 18th, Arcadia
Oct. 15th, Ft. Myers Oct. 17th. He
will be given rousing receptions.

Miss Lorraine Chatterton will leave
on the 28th for DeLand, where she
will take a course in the conservatory
of music of Stetson University.

Every patriotic citizen of DeSoto
should do something by word or
deed towards having the county
splendidly represented at the State
fair.

FOR SALE—One acre water front-
age east of cattle dock, with riparian
rights. Apply to Thos. O'R. Jameson,
Punta Gorda, Fla. 34-ff

Mr. Geo. P. Davis, a prominent busi-
ness man of St. Petersburg, spent
several days here this week visiting
his brother-in-law, Capt. Charles G.
Davis.

Gen. Gilchrist returned from his
summer's jaunt last Friday and his
many friends were glad to greet him
and to know that he had greatly en-
joyed his outing.

Don't forget the missionary rally
of the Methodist Sunday school on
the first Sunday in October. It will
be an occasion of great interest and
every body should attend.

Just watch the Butter fly—30 cts.
per lb. E. O. Coram.

Bertie Hatch left Tuesday evening
to enter the Methodist seminary at
Sutherland. He was accompanied
by his mother, Mrs. Joshua Mizell
who will return to-day or to morrow.

A blizzard reached Punta Gorda
last Saturday, but did not harm.
"It" was a well behaved, handsome
affair and registered at the Dade as
Joseph E. Blizzerd, Philadelphia.

Mr. Magnus T. Swift this week fin-
ished putting in an acetylene light-
ing plant for J. R. Elliott's big dry
goods store, and that establishment
is now more resplendent at night than
ever.

The big dredge of the Consolidated
Company began work this week and
is busily engaged sucking up the bot-
tom of the bay and depositing it un-
der the oil and fertilizer factory build-
ings.

Mrs. E. A. White, the accomplished
and accommodating Western
Union operator here, is taking a rest
and her place is ably filled pro tem.
by Manager White of the telephone
company.

Mr. A. Roe went down to Jackson-
ville last week and returned Tues-
day morning, bringing Mrs. Roe
with him. The latter's many friends
will rejoice to know that her health
is much improved.

Black and galvanized stove pipe,
popular prices at Swift's Tin Shop.—32

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Denham's
many friends were glad to welcome
them back from Georgia last Friday
morning. Mrs. D.'s health is still
frail, but it is hoped that she will
speedily gain strength and restora-
tion.

Call Phone 67 for prompt delivery
of groceries.—E. O. Coram.—30ff.

Col. S. Y. Finley, a brainy lawyer
of Gainesville, visited this city on
business Tuesday. While here, he
had the pleasure of meeting his old
friend, Col. Martin Pickett Jones,
who is sojourning with his son-in-law,
Dr. Vincent.

Call around and see the new gaso-
line stoves just received at Swift's
tin shop.—34-ff.

That tarpon which the Dewey boys
took to Cleveland with them last
week was prepared by Johnnie Jack.
Capt. Watts attached it to a frame.
Our youthful informants neglected
to give full details. Mr. Jack is a
skilled taxidermist.

For a bad taste in the mouth, take
Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver
Tablets. For sale by all druggists.—
td.

Contractor Starkweather having
gone to Iowa, has sent his partners,
Messrs. Smith and Williams, here to
finish up the contract of putting down
8-inch artesian wells for the big ice
factory, and they are now sinking the
second well of the series.

The Punta Gorda Livery Stable,
E. A. Seward, manager, is a new
enterprise recently established
which solicits a share of the public
patronage. Good horses and bug-
gies and fair treatment. 17ff.

Gen. Gilchrist has planted seven
acres in sweet potatoes and expects
to reap 300 bushels to the acre. At
present prices, the crop would bring
him over \$2,000.00, but he may rea-
sonably expect one-third of that
amount, which is good enough.

FOR SALE—One acre water front-
age known as west half of A. Allen
Park, situated between the Consoli-
dated Ice Co.'s dock and the cattle
dock. Persons meaning business,
apply to Thos. O'R. Jameson; curi-
osity seekers apply elsewhere. 34-ff

Ralph Bingham, the noted lectur-
er, impersonator and raconteur, will
give one of his inimitable entertain-
ments before the Punta Gorda Ly-
ceum Association on Oct. 17th.
Those wishing tickets should apply
to Mr. M. V. Williams, secretary.

THE REASON WHY.

Hancock's Liquid Sulphur should
be in every home; it is endorsed and
prescribed by the leading physicians
for such diseases as Eczema, Pim-
ples, Ringworm, Salt Rheum, Dan-
druff, Diphtheria, Sore throat, Cuts,
Burns, Open sores and all blood and
skin troubles. No home should be
without it. Ask your druggists for a
bottle of Liquid Sulphur. All drug-
gists.

PINEAPPLE SHIPMENTS.

The following are the shipments of
fancy pineapples made by express
from this point for the week ending
Sept. 10:

Sept. 11th	51 crates
" 12	7 "
" 13	69 "
" 14	" "
" 15	25 "
" 16	21 "
" 17	10 "
Total	180 c'ts.

Mr. D. P. Daugherty, well known
throughout Mercer and Sumner
counties, W. Va., most likely owes
his life to the kindness of a neighbor.
He was almost hopelessly afflicted
with diarrhoea; was attended by
two physicians who gave him little
if any relief, when a neighbor learn-
ing of his serious condition, brought
him a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic,
Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy,
which cured him in less than twen-
ty-four hours. For sale by all drug-
gists.

SHIPMENTS OF FISH.

For the week ending Wednesday
night, Sept. 17th, the following ship-
ments of fresh fish were made from
this point:

By freight—9 solid cars and 5 bar-
rels.
By express—6 cars, 206 barrels.
Total—15 cars, 209 barrels, amount-
ing to 380,800 pounds.

**His Life Saved by Chamberlain's Colic,
Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy.**

"B. L. Byer, a well known cooper
of this town, says he believes Cham-
berlain's Colic, Cholera and Diar-
rhoea Remedy saved his life last sum-
mer. He had been sick for a month
with what the doctors call bilious
dysentery, and could get nothing to
do him any good until he tried this
remedy. It gave him immediate re-
lief," says B. T. Little, merchant,
Hancock, Md. For sale by all drug-
gists.—td.

Mr. M. L. Helling of Key West,
general superintendent of all the tel-
egraphic cables running from Flori-
da south as far as British Guiana,
was a guest of the Dade Sunday.
He is also financially interested in
tow-boats at Key West and it is re-
ported that he has investments here
which caused his visit.

Water Cure for Chronic Constipation.

Take two cups of hot water half an
hour before each meal and just be-
fore going to bed, also a drink of
water, hot or cold, about two hours
after each meal. Take lots of out-
door exercise—walk, ride, drive.
Make a regular habit of this and in
many cases chronic constipation may
be cured without the use of medicine.
When a purgative is required, take
something mild and gentle like
Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver
Tablets. For sale by all druggists.—
td.

That's a beautiful symphony at the
big ice factory and it works to perfec-
tion. It lights the building and runs
the great steel traveling crane, the
tilting table, two huge sets of gang
saws (so to speak) and an automatic
elevator that lifts and places the ice
in the storage room.

Columbian Brand Evaporated Cream
Is especially adapted to the Flori-
da market. It is superior to ordi-
nary milk for tea, coffee, chocolate
and general house-hold purposes. It
is a perfect substitute for milk and
cream. Keeps almost indefinitely
until the can is opened. All the
leading grocers in Florida are sell-
ing it. It's a comfort to housekeep-
ers. Prepared by Borden's Con-
solidated Milk Co.—td.

One of the ponderous refrigerating
machines at the big ice factory was
started up last Saturday and is now
running day and night. It takes six
days to freeze one of the immense
tanks of water; consequently, the 6-
ton cakes of ice are not expected to
appear until to-day.

Relief for the Suffering.

Hancock's Liquid Sulphur will
give you immediate relief and per-
manently cure all such diseases as
Eczema, Pimples, Tetter, Herpes,
Ring worm, Salt Rheum, Dandruff,
Diphtheria, Sore throat, Cuts, Burns,
Open sores, and all blood and skin
troubles. Hundreds of cases of skin
diseases have been permanently cur-
ed by the use of Hancock's Liquid Sul-
phur after all other remedies have
failed. For sale by all druggists. If

At their last meeting, the city
council offered a reward of \$100.00
for the detection and conviction of
the person or persons who attempted
to murder Mr. Albert F. Dewey on
the night of the 3rd. This makes a
total of \$400.00. It is earnestly hoped
by all our citizens that the offer of
these rewards will have the desired
result.

T. C. Beville, the 12-year old son of
Mr. D. C. Beville, who has been des-
perately ill for several months and
whose life has been despaired of,
now has a fair prospect of recover-
ing. Should he recover, as his
parents' many friends sincerely
hope, it will be due to the unremitt-
ing and skillful attention given him
by that able and generally beloved
physician, Dr. J. M. Samuel.

A Remarkable Record

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy has
a remarkable record. It has been in
use for over thirty years, during
which time many millions of bottles
have been sold and used. It has
long been the standard and main re-
liance in the treatment of croup in
thousands of homes, yet during all
this time no case has ever been
reported to the manufacturers in
which it failed to effect a cure.
When given as soon as the child be-
comes hoarse or even as soon as the
croupy cough appears, it will pre-
vent the attack. It is pleasant to
take, many children like it. It con-
tains no opium or other harmful sub-
stances and may be given to a baby
as to an adult. For sale by all drug-
gists.

The condition of Mr. Dewey's
wound continues satisfactory; it is
getting well as fast as possible.

Printer boys are going to school;
new printer not yet arrived; emer-
gency help not to be had; such is the
HERALD's excuse for shortcomings
to-day.

E. P. Morgan, engineer of the steam-
er Clark, was drowned in Tampa bay
last Saturday night. He was well
known and generally liked in Punta
Gorda.

It is reported that J. Pierpont Mor-
gan and associates have arranged a
merger of the Atlantic Coast Line
and the Louisville and Nashville
railways.

Hon. E. H. Mote, nominee for the
legislature from Lake county, one of
the most progressive citizens of Flori-
da, a valued friend of this writer,
brightened this office with a call yester-
day.

The High School Opens.

The Punta Gorda High School,
with Prof. M. H. Smith principal and
four ladies as assistants, opened on
Monday and the enrollment has al-
ready gone above 200. Quite a num-
ber of children who ought to be in
school are idling about town. Their
parents should send them in at once.
All parents should secure a copy of
the school catalogue and read care-
fully the paragraph relating to their
duties.

The school building now has a seat-
ing capacity for 300 pupils and the
attendance should speedily reach
that number. Send in your children
at once; it is of great importance both
to them and to the teachers.

Mr. William Crouch has been ap-
pointed by Commissioner Burton as-
sistant commissioner for the State
fair for this district, and all intend-
ing to make exhibits should confer
with him. He will have a car here
at the proper time to take exhibits
through direct to Lake City. Every
one should now better himself or
herself to get up something to ex-
hibit. We are greedy enough to
want all the premiums.

Mr. B. Hincley of Mobile, who
was formerly in business here and
still has many friends left over from
the old days in Punta Gorda, spent
last Saturday and Sunday here re-
newing old acquaintances and in-
cidentally looking after business.
He proposes to make an experimen
in running a freight schooner be-
tween Mobile and Punta Gorda; and
if the vessel is properly patronized,
he will continue it permanently. We
hope the experiment will pay him;
we do not see why it should not.
Our business men, we think, under-
stand and appreciate the situation
and will no doubt lend ample en-
couragement to Mr. Hincley's en-
terprise.

**ANNUAL CLEARANCE
SALE
OF ALL
SUMMER GOODS**

GREATLY REDUCED PRICES

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Lawns, Percales,
Dimities, White Goods,

Ladies' Shirt Waists, Skirts, Trimmings Hats.

Special Sale of Dutchess Trousers, Men's
and Boys' Straw Hats

Below Cost.



Sole Agent
for W. I.
Douglas Shoes

The Best shoe in the World.

No trouble to show goods. RESPECTFULLY,

J. R. ELLIOTT

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Good Health Demands

Wholesome Food,

SUCH AS YOU CAN ALWAYS FIND AT THE

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Everything in the Grocery line, including
Fresh Meats, of all kinds, Fruits, Vegetables
Eggs, and Chickens. Rock bottom prices
throughout. **Prompt Free Delivery.**

**Everybody is
Interested**

In getting the BEST goods at the LOWEST prices.
That is what we are doing—getting the best of every-
thing at lowest cost and giving

Our Customers the Benefit
of the LOW PRICES we get ourselves. Accordingly
when in need of Dry Goods, and Groceries, Shoes,
Hats, Gents' Furnishings, or an thing else in the nature
of FAMILY, FARM or BOAT SUPPLIES, you will
find it to your interest to call on

E. WOTITZKY,

Punta Gorda, Florida.

S. L. DRANE, President W. H. BROWN, Sec'y and Treas.

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HARDWARE OF ALL KINDS,
PAINTS, SHIP CHANDLERY
AND BOAT EQUIPMENTS,

**Farming Implements
and Fertilizers;**

Men's Shoes, Shirts and Overalls.

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